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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Heinz Schneider

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For: FORMULATION WHICH CAN BE

ADMINISTERED GASTROINTESTINALLY,

AND THE USE THEREOF

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Examiner: Melenie L. Alonis

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## **RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

This is in response to the Office Action mailed April 24, 2006, the time for a response to which has been extended to and through September 25, 2006. This response is timely filed on Monday, September 25, 2006 with a petition for a two month extension of time for reply. The original due date with a two month extension of time was Sunday, September 24, 2006. September 25, 2006 is the next succeeding day the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is open for business.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.